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Friends Honor Thomas Bates

A reception honoring Mr. T. Bates was held yesterday afternoon in the Legion Hall. Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce it was attended by the people of the town and district to show their appreciation of Mr. Bates who retired recently after serving the public for a little over 33 years.

T. H. Beach acted as chairman and on behalf of the citizens presented Mr. Bates with a travelling bag and a wallet. Mr. Beach spoke of the many years service given by Mr. Bates and hoped he would continue to make his home in Gleichen. He suggested that if Mr. Bates took a trip to Ireland that he buy a return ticket so that he would be sure to get back. Mr. Bates expressed his thanks for the gifts and stated he had no intention of moving away from town.

Leslie Menard, president of the local Legion stated Tommy was one of the charter members of the local Legion and had been a member since it was formed here and went on to say he thought Mr. Bates had paid dues long enough and presented him with a life membership card.

Among the other speakers were Mayor H. Colpoys, Geo. Bell, M.L.A., Major E. Broom, Superintendent Eventide Home and Rev. W. Morrison.

During the reception, from 3 until 5 o'clock, refreshments were served to the guests. Tea and coffee were poured by Mrs. T. H. Beach and Mrs. W. Cook, while Mrs. R. S. Haskayne received the guests.



By Dr. F. J. Greeney, Director, Line Elevators Farm Service, Winnipeg, Manitoba

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The results of germination tests so far completed by this Department on over 6,000 farmers' seed samples of wheat, oats and barley from the 1954 crop, show that, in an unusually high percentage of the samples, the germination has been seriously damaged. It is apparent that in no year in the past 10 years has the need for germination tests been greater than it is this year.

Severe Frost Damage. Heavy frosts last September caused severe damage to grain crops over a large part of Alberta and northern Saskatchewan. Consequently the germination of the grain has been seriously impaired. In no crop is the damage more serious than in oats. Completed tests on oat samples from these areas show that well over 60% of the samples are germinating less than 65%, which is the minimum germination for the lowest seed grade. Furthermore 36% of the oat samples are germinating less than 50%. The seed germination situation is not a serious in wheat and barley but it is still not good. In both wheat and barley a large percentage of farmers' seed samples are germinating poorly—less than 65%. This is one year when a grain sample may look very good but germinate very poorly. The only way to make sure of the vitality of the seed-grain you are either keeping or buying from the 1954 crop is to find out if it is capable of germinating well, and hence suitable for seed.

Free Tests Available. Farmers can have their seed tested for germination, without charge, through local Agents of any of the Elevator Companies listed above. In submitting samples for testing, however, please send in truly representative samples of "cleaned" seed. Germination tests are always important but for 1955 they are more important than ever.

The Priest met Mary O'Tool and asked what she was concealing under her coat. She replied, "Holy water." Reaching for the bottle the priest uncorked it and sniffed. "Why, Mary, this is gin!" Whereupon Mary crossed herself and exclaimed: "Glory be to God—another miracle!"



Small arms training on a pistol range is but one of the many instruction courses taken by Royal Canadian Mounted Police recruits they are also given rigorous training in laboratory work, photography, fingerprint identification and scores of other specialized studies. Their story

is told in the CBC Trans-Canada network series "The Quiet Force" which has been applauded for its technical accuracy. The weekly series reveals the story of the R.C.M.P. of today whose main weapons in checking crime and apprehending criminals are science, perseverance and intelligence.

United Church Annual Meeting

Gleichen United Church congregational meeting was held one evening last week in the church with a good attendance. The meeting opened with a prayer by Rev. W. Morrison and a hymn.

The following reports were read, secretary of the W. A., treasurer, Sunday School, O.G.L.T., and pastor. All reports showed a good year.

Under new business the main discussion centred around what to do about the church and church basement. A committee was appointed to look into the cost of same and what best to do. They are to report in a month's time. The committee consists of Lloyd Sammons, G. Burne, M. W. Bolinger and N. A. Riddell.

Next on the agenda was to elect a Board of Stewards. Those elected were: Mrs. M. W. Brown, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. Puga, Mrs. Szwed, N. A. Riddell, W. Sharp, F. Sammons, M. W. Bolinger, G. Burne, G. McBean and D. Nash.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer after which a social evening followed.

A rink skipped by Leo Woods left this morning to attend a bonspiel in Drumheller today. Other members of the rink are A. Crum, H. Quennell and B. Burne. This 'spiel is an invitation affair in which Gleichen was asked to send one rink. Drumheller has a new artificial ice rink.

The new rent collector was trying to make his collection. He opened the gate of one house and saw a small boy playing in the garden.

"Is your mother at home, little man?"

"Yes sir," answered the boy politely.

The collector went up to the door, but though he rang the bell half a dozen times, he could get no answer.

"Look here," he said at last to the boy, "why did you tell me mother was at home?"

"Because she is, sir," was the lad's innocent reply. "We don't live here."

Rail transportation is still the basic system by which Canada's goods are transported to market. While railways no longer are transportation monopolies they are among the most government-regulated of all Canadian businesses.

Canadian women used an average of slightly more than 11 pairs each of full-fashioned hosiery last year.

Some time ago it was pointed out that during the past number of years the consumption of wheat in both Canada and the U.S.A. had failed to keep pace with the population. Closely linked with the question of wheat consumption are several others. In the first place, general prosperity

increase has been quite marked, and a higher standard of living always bring with them an increased demand for meat and dairy products and a tendency to swing away from the simpler and less expensive diet, in which cereals play a prominent part. This not only on the North American Continent where the per capita consumption of wheat has shown a percentage increase since pre-war years of close to 10 per cent, but also in Europe as well. All this means that it is necessary to feed a greater quantity of grain if the demand for meat and dairy products is to be met. Thus live stock population affects the acreage seeded to feed grains, as well as the proportion of these grains that are fed or marketed. Peoples' changing tastes therefore, as reflected in their diet, may have quite a marked effect upon the pattern of agricultural production and marketing. At the present time the trend is toward a higher protein diet, or greater consumption of meat and dairy products, but that is a reflection of the times, and times change.

Week after week this office receives one or more requests for free publicity from large corporations, some of whom never spend a dollar in advertising with the paper. This week no less than four of these requests came and were consigned to the waste paper basket. Why large corporations using large advertising space in daily papers, and ignoring the weekly press in many cases entirely should seek to get publicity for nothing is more than we can figure out. The Call has always given strong support to all local and outside worthy causes even to the extent of granting a liberal amount of free publicity. Most weekly papers do. Further we quite frequently run what is known as reader for local and outside concerns, who are patrons of our advertising column. We believe firmly in the principle of co-operation with our advertisers. But it should be clearly understood that The Call is not obliged to give free advertising and will not unless some good reason for same can be shown. Free publicity will not pay expenses let alone make us rich.

More than a million golf balls were made in Canada last year. One of Canada's newest and fastest growing crops—from a standpoint of spreading production—is the soybean.

The Ottawa Letter

The St. Mary Reservoir, now in its third year of operation provided 196,000 acre-feet of water to approximately 135,000 acres. Of this, only 15,000 acres were new land. While 40,000 acres of new land were provided with distribution works not all of this area could be served as some portions of the main canal remain to be completed. An additional 56,000 acres were supplied with distribution works during

the year, making a total of 96,000 acres of new land ready to receive water in 1955. Construction work was also started on distributary works for a further 21,000 acres. With the completion of this tract by mid-summer the St. Mary Reservoir will be able to serve 227,000 acres. The ultimate development envisages the irrigation of approximately 500,000 acres.

During the year 48,000 beef cattle and 30,000 lambs were fattened on the St. Mary Project. A total of 22,855 acres of sugar beet were harvested along with 2,980 acres of canning peas, and 1,050 acres of canning corn as well as other specialized crops.

The main canal was completed to Medicine Hat by the Alberta Government during the year and work progressed on the Ridge and Chin Reservoirs. The Rattlesnake and Murray Reservoirs were completed and all four are now in operation condition.

Expenditures from the inception of the project up to March 31, 1954, in accordance with the Federal-Provincial Agreement are approximately as follows:

Government of Canada (through P.F.R.A.) \$14,001,000.

Government of Alberta \$12,085,000.

F. W. GERSHAW.

Legion W.A. Meet

The regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion B.E.S.L., was held in the Legion Hall last Thursday evening.

The meeting was opened in the usual manner by the new president, Mrs. L. Jones. Minutes of the last meeting and the financial report were read.

Mrs. M. Thompson was initiated and welcomed into the Ladies Auxiliary.

Two applications were voted on and accepted and are as follows: Mrs. Rosea Barrett and Mrs. P. M. Leslie.

An evening to entertain the men was discussed. The organization decided to have a pot-luck supper on February 11.

The business session of the meeting having been completed, the meeting adjourned in the customary manner. After the March of Dimes a social time was enjoyed while the hostesses prepared a tasty lunch which brought a pleasant evening to a close.

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Success in dairying can best be achieved by good heifers

To maintain a herd of 20 cows, five heifers have to be raised each year to replace cows that are to be discarded. Dr. J. E. Bowstead of the University of Alberta Animal Science Department stated this fact when speaking at the annual meeting of the Alberta Cattle Breeders held recently at Edmonton.

Success in dairying can be best achieved by raising heifers of improved breeding, Dr. Bowstead pointed out, but he also stressed the importance of feed and care for heifers if they are to develop properly. All dairymen, he said, make sure their calves get the colostrum milk, and most follow the practice of leaving the calf with its mother for three or four days.

Recent research would indicate this is a good practice as the rumen of a new born calf does not contain the bacteria necessary for the normal digestion of hay or grain. If the calf remains with the mother, these desirable bacteria will become established in its rumen when the mother licks the calf and when the calf nibbles on the grain and hay fed the mother.

Following the colostrum period the ideal ration for calves has been the feeding of whole milk until they are three weeks of age, followed by skimmed milk for a few months and all the grain and good hay they will eat.

Although a "milk replacer" fed for a few weeks following the colostrum period was reported as working well in Pennsylvania results of experiments at the University of Alberta have not been favorable. Dr. Bowstead indicated that more satisfactory replacers will likely be developed; but the use of skimmed milk powder in milk replacers is an admission that milk is still the ideal calf feed.

The use of antibiotics in raising calves is relatively new. Aureomycin is recommended as a treat-

ment for scours but when fed experimentally with the ration the calves receiving aureomycin made more rapid gains than the calves fed aureomycin. It seemed to have properties other than medicinal.

After four to six months home-grown feeds and minerals can be fed in proper proportions and amounts. Heifers will eat more roughage if it is of good quality and since it is a cheaper source of digestible nutrients than grain, maximum quantities of it should be fed.

Rodney oats experiment satisfactory

OTTAWA.—Experimental tests, general observations and a survey of farmers' opinions all indicate that Rodney oats have performed quite satisfactorily in Alberta during 1953 and 1954, reports E. C. Lowe, Lacombe Experimental Station, Alberta.

Early in 1953, 501 bushels of registered Rodney were allocated under contract, to ten Alberta seed growers. Seed produced by these growers was distributed to farmers in lots not exceeding 99 bushels per applicant. A long list of names remained when the seed supply became exhausted. Over ten thousand bushels of Rodney were sown in the spring of 1954 by some 300 Alberta farmers.

Weather conditions during the 1954 crop season were unfavorable throughout most of the province. Excessive amounts of precipitation particularly during the spring and in August, resulted in delayed seeding followed by slow growth in grain crops. Growth killing frosts during September severely damaged a large portion of the oat crops.

Despite the backward season farmers appear to have accepted Rodney as being a promising new variety possessing wide adaptability.

Questionnaires were circulated to all 1954 growers of this variety in Alberta. A summary of 118 completed questionnaires suggests that farmers who have produced Rodney share similar opinions regarding most characteristics of this variety. The average yield of undamaged crops on 57 Alberta farms in 1954 was 65.0 bushels per acre.

BOON ?

VICTORIA.—A man who likes to smoke in bed says he has figured out a way to do it without causing a fire hazard.

J. Henry Michaud says his invention is an aluminum tube with holes in the sides which screws into a cigaret holder. No ash can escape.

Fire officials and hospital authorities have expressed interest in the invention.

RAILWAY EXPLORER

Rogers pass in the Selkirk mountains of British Columbia is named after Maj. A. B. Rogers, railway pathfinder who explored it in 1881.

PEGGY



—By Chuck Thurston



LATER AT THE DINNER TABLE...



Saskatchewan waters get 15 million fish

PRINCE ALBERT.—Over 15,000,000 fry, fingerling and adult fish were planted in Saskatchewan fish-bearing waters during the past year by the provincial fisheries branch, director G. E. Couldwell has announced.

He said the biggest single project undertaken by the branch was the planting of 14,700,000 pickerel fry in waters scattered throughout southern Saskatchewan and in the Prince Albert and Meadow Lake districts.

Another big part of the year's planting program was the distribution of 755,000 northern pike fry in Buffalo Pound, Cypress, Gooseberry, Meeting, Nelson and Royal Lakes.

One non-native game species the fisheries branch hopes will thrive in Saskatchewan waters is Kamloops trout. During the past year, the branch distributed 32,000 Kamloops trout in Bushy and East Trout Lakes, and Junction Reservoir, near Maple Creek.

In addition, 8,500 eastern brook trout fingerling were planted in the Bow, Fir, Torch and Nipikame Rivers, while 5,769 brown trout fingerling went into the Duncan Dam.

Only adult fish to be planted in new waters during the year were perch. A total of 3,744 adult perch, taken from the Qu'Appelle Lakes, were distributed in the Assiniboia district P.F.R.A. dam, Edouard, Green and Pahn Lakes and a Southey district farm dug-out.

Mr. Couldwell said his branch's annual planting program was a part of "modern fisheries management". The 100 or so requests a year for planting which reach the branch are referred to its biologists, who determine where planting is feasible.

Funny and Otherwise

A little boy, caught in mischief, was asked by his mother: "How do you expect to get into heaven?"

He thought for a moment, then replied: "I'll just run in and out and keep slamming the door till they say, 'For goodness' sake, come in or stay out.' Then I'll go in."

A teacher in a Brooklyn school asked Joey to give her a sentence using the word "bewitches".

After deep thought, Joey replied: "Youse go ahead. I'll bewitches in a minute."

Jock MacSweeney was asking his old friend Sandy McTavish, how he liked his new radio.

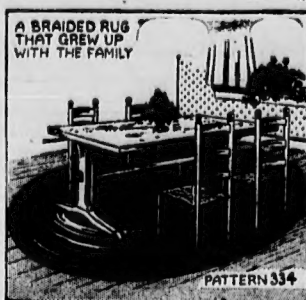
"Mon, 'tis grand for the MUSIC," said Sandy, "but the wee light's hard ta read by."

"Darling, if you marry me I'll satisfy your smallest wishes."

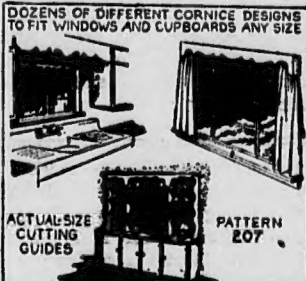
"And what do you propose to do about the big ones?"

When a South Bend, Ind., judge asked the defendant why he had taken a taxicab without the owner's permission, the inebriated gentleman fumbled around in all his pockets and finally fished out an advertising card of the cab company's reading: "When drinking a little too much, take one of our cabs."

Home Workshop



The trestle table shown in the sketch is the earliest example of "do-it-yourself" that we know of. The original is in the American Wing of the Metropolitan Museum. The braided rug is an appropriate background for such a table. Directions for making the three sizes of trestle tables which we have found to be the most popular are on pattern 390. The rug shown began as a little patch under a two-some table. Braids were added as the family grew until this rug was nearly ten feet long and eight feet wide. Pattern 334 covers all points in making such a rug from selecting and dyeing materials without bleaching out the old colors, to the final finishing. Patterns are 35c each.



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OTTAWA.—With the proclamation of the Disabled Persons Act, the federal government has taken all steps necessary to implement the Act in all provinces of Canada without delay. Hon. Paul Martin, minister of National Health and Welfare has announced. The act came into operation on January 1, 1955.

Mr. Martin explained that under provision of the act the government of Canada is authorized to enter into agreements with the provinces providing for equal sharing between Canada and the provinces of the cost of allowances. He said that all provinces had indicated their intention of participating in the plan.

Mr. Martin said that the date on which the payment of allowances could commence in any particular province would depend on decisions made by its government.

The allowances are payable to totally and permanently disabled persons who fulfil certain requirements, including age, residence and income. The minimum age is 18 years. The maximum allowance to which the federal government may pay its share of 50 per cent

is \$40 a month.

Mr. Martin pointed out that the administrative procedures were set forth in the regulations made under the act. He said that on two occasions during 1954, provincial ministers of welfare and their senior officials had come to Ottawa on his invitation to discuss the plan with federal authorities. The regulations had been considered and agreed to at the second meeting. The regulations generally follow the pattern of the regulations under the Old Age Assistance Act and the Blind Persons Act with additions and modifications where necessary.

When the act is in full operation in all provinces it is estimated that some 25,000 disabled persons will be in receipt of allowances.

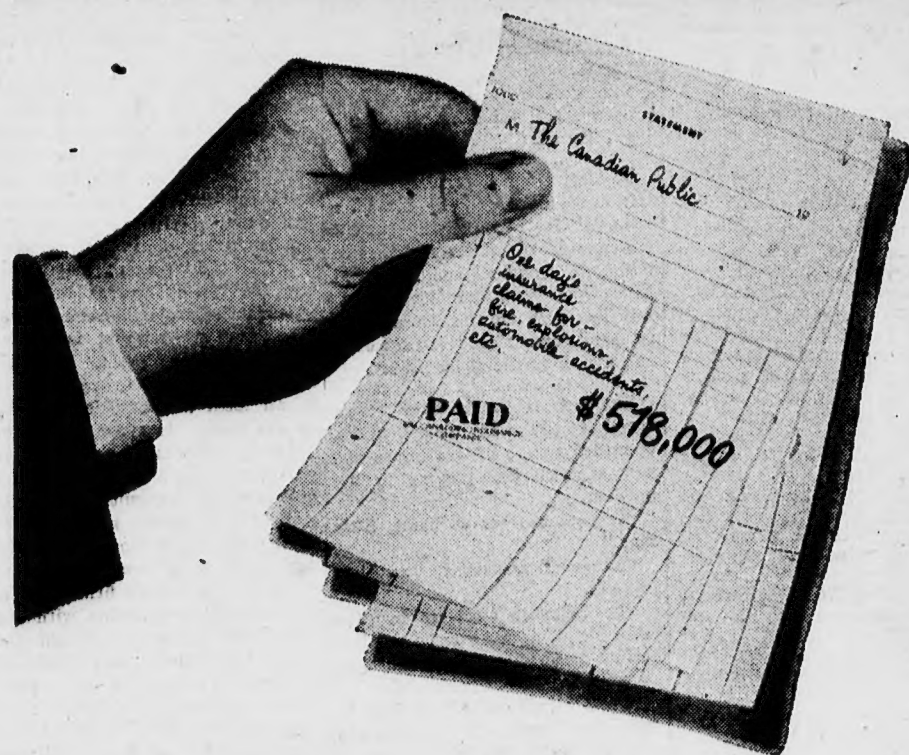
Jam Upside-down Shortcakes

Combine 1 tbs. soft butter or margarine, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. thick jam, 1 tbs. lemon juice and, if desired, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. broken nutmeats and divide between 6 greased individual baking dishes. Mix and sift twice, then sift into a bowl, $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. once-sifted pastry flour (or $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. once-sifted all-purpose flour), 3 tps. Magic Baking Powder, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt, $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. grated nutmeg and $\frac{1}{4}$ c. fine granulated sugar. Cut in finely 5 tbs. chilled shortening. Combine 1 well-beaten egg, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. milk and $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. vanilla. Make a well in dry ingredients and add liquids; mix lightly. Two-thirds fill prepared dishes with batter. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375°, about 20 minutes. Turn out and serve hot with sauce or cream. Yield — 6 servings.



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Patterns

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Orchids from Kip

By R. K. KENT

MELAINE fingered the purse. Twenty dollars wasn't much money, but it would help tide them over. And hadn't it been delivered right into her hands when she needed it so badly? There it was in the window box, hidden beneath the ivy, when she went to water the pink geranium that she gave such loving care. Kip had bought her the geranium the day they were married, a few weeks ago. He'd brought her to this little apartment, so happy that he'd been able to find a place for them. And she liked it until she looked from the window.

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"But it's so close to the street," she'd said.

Kip laughed and said, "You aren't living in the country any more, Melaine. This is the city." Then he put on his hat and left her for a while. When he returned he had the pink geranium. "It isn't much, honey," he smiled. "But just as soon as we get a little ahead, I'll buy you an orchid. Maybe in a few weeks."

But there'd be no orchid now. Not for a long, long time. There would be doctor and hospital bills. Kip's appendix was the fault. He wouldn't be able to work for some time after he came home. There'd be no salary for a while. And this twenty-dollar bill, and the small change would go a long way.

Melaine dumped the contents of the purse into her lap now. A fountain pen, an expensive handkerchief subtly perfumed, a plastic compact, some trinkets and a small box that rattled. She peered into the box and snapped it shut again. Only a broken string of beads. The purse itself was expensive leather. Yes, she could mail it back to the woman. Here was a card of Mrs. Blanche Marble, and the address. Melaine could mail the purse and general contents and keep the money. That'd be fair enough. The woman would want her to have a reward. She put the things back into the purse and snapped it shut. Where was some wrapping paper? Hadn't some one found Kip's billfold, just before they were married, and mailed it back to him? And kept the money? Melaine blushed. She remembered how annoyed she'd been. "That's just like stealing," she had said.

She took the card out and examined it again. Maybe if she took the purse... she glanced at the clock. There wasn't time to take a bus way over there. She had to dress and eat her lunch and be at the hospital at two. She'd promised Kip.

Finally she went into the hall and found Mrs. Marble listed in the phone book.

"My purse!" Mrs. Marble sounded almost hysterical. "You found it? How wonderful! I'll come right over for it."

Melaine went back and changed her clothes while she waited. If that twenty dollars was so important to Mrs. Marble there wouldn't be much of a reward. Maybe the small change. About seventy cents. Oh, well, even that would buy oranges for Kip. But the twenty dollars would have provided something more substantial. If only she could get a job, but who would look after Kip when he came home?

It was when she was combing her hair that the frightening thought struck Melaine. Mrs. Marble's purse must have been stolen. Some one stole it and took most of the money, then tossed the purse into the window box. Or even if she lost it, the person who found it took most of the money.

No wonder Mrs. Marble was so excited about finding it. No wonder... then Melaine stopped, paralyzed. Mrs. Marble would think she took the money! There was no way she could prove that she didn't. Circumstances certainly were against her. She remembered reading books about the police questioning people. They'd ask her and ask her until she would become confused and finally say she took the money. And then who'd take care of Kip? If only she hadn't ever found the horrid purse!

A knock at the door brought her back to action. It was Mrs. Marble, a tall, cold-looking woman. "My purse..." she gasped.

Melaine took it from the table and handed it to the woman without a word. She couldn't have talked, her throat had turned to stone. But her big eyes were intent on the woman as she sat down and poured the contents from the purse. There was the little coin purse. One twenty-dollar bill... how much more did the woman expect? Melaine was holding her breath. But the woman ignored the coin purse.

Melaine pointed, "There's 20 dollars..."

The woman nodded and started pouring the broken string of beads into the palm of her hand.

"There was only twenty dollars," Melaine found words for.

But Mrs. Marble was counting the small beads. Then she looked up at Melaine and smiled. "I was nearly crazy when I lost my purse this morning. I was down this way visiting the charity hospital. My purse must have slid from under my arm and I didn't notice until I arrived at the hospital... I was walking for exercise," she smiled.

Melaine tried to smile, but she kept thinking about the money. The woman was holding her off

Developing well fleshed, moderate sized turkey

SASKATOON.—The University of Saskatchewan's poultry department at Saskatoon believes that after ten years research it is on the right track toward developing a well-fleshed, moderate-sized turkey to meet the present demand for a turkey suitable for the requirements of the average house hold.

According to Professor W. J. Rae, head of the university's poultry department, an improved bronze turkey has been developed through an intensive program of breeding from two standard bronze turkeys given to the university ten years ago. These turkeys, one male and one female, were the gift of L. H. Sanderson of Piapot. The original birds possessed better than average meat qualities for the standard bronze type.

Turkeys of the new strain show exceptional uniformity in type and weight. They weigh from 12 to 14 pounds for females and 18 to 22 pounds for toms. In addition to desirable qualities of size and fleshing the birds have long keels and low-set and compact.

The department plans to test this stock for one more year and if they continue to exhibit these desirable qualities then breeding stock will be available in the fall of 1955 for interested breeders.

Only a small selected breeding flock has been retained by the department. The balance of the flock has been killed, examined and marketed. Birds must be killed in order to measure and examine them to determine the success of the program.

... playing with her. Why wouldn't she hurry and get it over with?

"I thought everything was lost. In fact, I didn't know there were such honest people as you, my dear. Finding the purse and calling me..."

"I didn't find it," Melaine said. "Honestly I didn't. Some one else did, and put it in my window box."

"Then there are two honest people," Mrs. Marble said.

"But the money..."

Mrs. Marble held up the box of beads. "I intended to go to the jeweler from the hospital and have these beads restrung. They are a gift from my husband... he'd never forgive me if I lost them."

"I'm glad..." Melaine said. "They're genuine pearls, too."

Mrs. Marble said, "I can't imagine why they weren't taken."

Melaine smiled. "Maybe because nobody knew they were genuine. I didn't. In fact, I was more tempted to take the money."

Mrs. Marble studied her a moment. "You need the money, my dear?"

Melaine felt her chin quiver. This was the first friendly person she'd met since Kip took sick, besides the doctor and nurses. It was lonely being a stranger in the city. "It's for Kip," she started. The sympathetic eyes invited her to tell more and finally Melaine poured the whole story into Mrs. Marble's ears. "If it wasn't for the geranium that was supposed to turn into an orchid some day," she finished, "I'd never have found your purse."

"I can never thank you enough," Mrs. Marble said, "but I'd like to try." She held out her hand and said, "Goodbye."

She hurried away, leaving Melaine squeezing the twenty-dollar bill.

"Twenty dollars!" She finished dressing hurriedly. It would be such fun telling Kip. And they'd laugh about the beads. And she'd tell him how valuable his geranium turned out to be.

When she opened the door she found a florist's box on the porch. Nervous fingers opened it, and misty eyes read the card tucked in with the huge orchid. "Love from Kip." It wasn't Kip's writing, but Melaine pinned it to her coat. It was from Kip... sort of, after all.

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COSTLY RODENT

VANCOUVER.—Rats in Great Vancouver annually eat up or damage about \$1,000,000 worth of food, says Dr. Stewart Murray, medical health officer. He asked citizens to aid in keeping down the rodents.

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THE TILLERS



Increased output livestock, milk seen for 1955-- little change for eggs and poultry

(Federal Department of Agriculture)

An increased output of meat animals is probable in 1955-56 (year ending September 30th) with production of hogs up about 19 percent and smaller increases ranging from five to seven percent in marketings of cattle, calves and sheep and lambs. It is unlikely that the domestic market will be able to absorb the supplies of hogs, cattle and calves that will be available and therefore Canadian prices will be very closely related to comparable United States prices.

LIVESTOCK

With the exception of hogs, Canadian prices of livestock are expected to show little change in 1955-56 compared with 1954-55, although slight declines may occur under the pressure of larger supplies. Prices of hogs are likely to show the greatest change. In general, domestic prices will be largely dependent on the availability of satisfactory export outlets for surplus livestock and livestock products.

A larger population and a continuing high level of consumer demand should contribute to a small increase in total meat consumption. During 1954-55 Canadians may consume about 1.6 billion pounds of meat from inspected slaughter, an increase of three percent from the preceding year.

Relatively lower prices are likely to induce a substantial increase in domestic disappearance of pork. It is estimated that in 1954-55 domestic disappearance of pork from graded hogs may be equivalent to an average of about 94 thousand hogs weekly, an increase of 12 percent from that of the preceding 12-month period. On the other hand, disappearance of beef in 1954-55 may be equivalent to about 31 thousand head weekly, a decline of about four percent. Consumption of veal and lamb is estimated to increase by six and seven percent respectively, from 1953-54.

Export of livestock and meat will probably increase substantially from those of 1953-54. It is estimated that in 1954-55 the surpluses over domestic use may amount to approximately 120 million pounds of pork, three million pounds of veal and 100 million pounds of beef. This beef, in terms of cattle, amounts to about 180 thousand head.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Milk production in 1955 is provisionally estimated at 17 billion pounds, up slightly from the 1954 total. Only a small increase is foreseen, as milk cow numbers are expected to rise little between June 1, 1954 and June 1, 1955.

Production of creamery butter and of dry skimmed milk in 1955 is expected to be about the same as in 1954. An increase in the amount of milk used for fluid purposes and in production of concentrated whole milk products is probable, but cheddar cheese output may drop slightly. Domestic disappearance of most dairy products is expected to rise somewhat in accordance with population increases. No major changes in the volume of exports are foreseen.

EGGS AND POULTRY

Little change is expected in the egg poultry market in 1955 com-

pared with 1954. The egg market will not be stronger in 1955 than in 1954 until at least June, and then may strengthen only if the 1955 hatch is smaller than in 1954.

The combined effects of a record poultry crop, low prices and aggressive merchandising in the United States had a depressing influence on the Canadian poultry meat market in 1954. This situation is not expected to change greatly in 1955 with the result that the Canadian poultry outlook in 1955 is closely linked to that in the United States, where conditions in 1955 are not expected to differ much from those in 1954. Prices for the 1955 turkey crop will be better than in 1954 if producers in Canada and the United States cut back production from 1954 levels. Prices of fowl in 1955, as in 1954, will continue to be greatly influenced by the American fowl market. The outlook for commercial broilers and farm chicken is more dependent on conditions prevailing in Canada, than the fowl and turkey outlook and conditions will not likely differ greatly from 1954.

SASKATOON SAFE

SASKATOON.—On Christmas Eve Saskatoon completed a full year without a traffic fatality within the city limits. The last traffic death occurred Christmas Eve, 1953, when an elderly pedestrian was struck by a vehicle while crossing a street. Saskatoon (pop. 50,000) is believed the only Canadian city of comparable size with such a record.

INFECTION SOURCE

REGINA.—Rodents are a source of infection for livestock which many producers fail to recognize, says Dr. T. V. Johnston, Saskatchewan's provincial veterinarian. He said control of rodents, particularly rats, is of equal importance with control of the actual diseases they carry.

Origin and meaning Manitoba names linked with history

Grand Rapids—Indian reserve of Swampy Cree, Saskatchewan river, translation of the Indian name misepawistik.

Grass—River, 1813; translation of the Cree Indian name of muskuskow sipl.

Hamlet—Village; the Cree word ota means "at this place," the whole word seems to signify "Hamilton's place."

Hayes—River, named by Radisson 1684 after Sir James Hayes, secretary to Prince Rupert and one of the charter members of the Hudson's Bay Co.

Hochstadt—Mennonite village, 1878; German for "lofty town".

Kaleda—Village, 1899; from the Greek for "beautiful".

Keewatin—District; a Cree expression from ki "returned" and etin "wind", applied to the north wind.

Kissling—Lake and river, Cree Indian name meaning "cold".

Lac du Bonnet—Village, 1900, originally applied to a postage so named "from a custom the Indians have of crowning stones laid in a circle with wreaths of herbage and branches."

La Riviere—Village, 1886, after Hon. Alphonse Alfred Clement LaRiviere, M.P.P.

La Verendrye—Provincial constituency; after Pierre Gaultier de Varennes, Sieur de la Verendrye (1685-1749); born at Three Rivers; died at Montreal; famous French Canadian explorer of present Manitoba.

Manitoba—Island, province and lake; 1798, manitou-wapow (Cree) or manitou-bau (Ojibway) meaning the spirit of the spirit or manito, so named from the superstition among the Indians that a manito, or spirit beats a drum on the island when the waves rush against the beach causing a roaring sound among the plentiful limestone pebbles. Another explanation is that it arose from the Assiniboine tongue, "mini" and "to-bow" meaning "lake of the prairie". The first interpretation is most generally accepted.

Maskawata—P.O. 1884; Cree Indian for "oak tree".

Miniota—Village; Sioux Indian for "much water" referring to the Assiniboine river.

Minnedosa—Town and river, 1879; meaning rapid river from the Sioux Indian words "minne" or water and "duza" rapid.

Minnewakan—P.O. 1887; Cree Indian for "drinking vessel" or "cup".

Morden—Town, 1883; after Alvey Morden, settler 3-5-1 in 1878 from Bruce county, Ontario; Morden was built up from two pre-railway towns, Nelsonville to the north and Mountain City to the south.

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HERE AND THERE

The executive of the United Church met at the home of Mrs. Pugh to compile a program for this year. After some discussion it was decided to have a social evening at the home of Mrs. Pugh on February 14.

The annual Zone curling play-off by the branches in this Zone took place Sunday in Brooks. Gleichen was represented by a rink skiped by Harvey Bogstie. The final rinks were Rockyford and Gleichen. The final rock thrown won the day's events for the Rockyford boys who now play other Legion Zones for the provincial championship.

A parking sign has been set up near the post office defining certain hours when cars must not park in front of the post office. Unless you are looking for it you are not likely to see it. So hard is it to see from an incoming car it might just as well not be set up.

Mrs. Ray Cunningham is at present in a Calgary hospital recovering from an operation. She expects to be able to come home in about a week's time.

Raymond Menard accompanied by his friend Mr. Dalgleish of Grand Prairie and his daughter Karan, spent the week end in

town visiting his mother Mrs. D. Menard and brother Leslie. They left for home early Monday morning.

Mrs. Herb Campbell who has been in a Calgary hospital for the past week underwent an operation Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Geo. Desjardine is at present confined to a Calgary hospital through illness.

Science has discovered a new way of computing the age of the earth. It knows the rate at which certain substances in nature give off their atomic energies; and when it finds such substances with all their energies exhausted it can calculate how long they have been in the earth. By this means it calculates that the earth has been in existence for about five billion years. All this is very interesting. The next thing we would like to know is what happened before that and how the universe came into being in the first place.

CATTLE LICE

For the past three years cattle lice have been a serious problem in Alberta. The situation has reached such a point that the Western Stock Growers' Association decided at their general meeting that the problem of cattle lice was amongst the first four major problems facing cattle raisers. In January and February cattle men start noticing lice and the effects of these insects. Cattle become anemic and susceptible to disease which may attack them. They are not resistant to quick change of temperature and the more seriously infested animals may even die as a direct or indirect effect of cattle lice.

The time to treat for lice is in the fall when animals can be easily sprayed. Unfortunately, this is neglected on many farms. In winter months it is too cold to spray. Therefore farmers must resort to dusting. The most satisfactory winter treatment is to dust animals with a rotenone dust. Ordinary warble powder prepared for spraying machines could be used on small numbers of cattle. The entire body should be treated including the underside of the animals.

The Livestock Branch of the Alberta Department of Agriculture points out that a thorough delousing job will insure a louse free herd. However, treated animals must be kept away from the rest of the herd until such time as the entire herd can be treated. It is safe to assume that if one or two animals are badly infested then most of the herd will be lousy. Dusting now can save trouble later.

Alberta's Treasury Department

The Treasury Department is concerned with any governmental activity that involves the receipt, custody or payment of money. The department was established by an Act of the Legislative Assembly called "The Treasury Department Act" and is headed by the Provincial Treasurer.



The Treasury Department prescribes the main function of the department which is the management and control of revenue and expenditure of the province. Each year the Provincial Treasurer prepares a budget containing estimates of the amounts required to pay the various expenses and costs of government services, as well as the estimates of revenue accruing from various sources.

The Budget Speech, delivered by the Provincial Treasurer to the Legislative Assembly, is a general statement explaining the financial condition of the province and the fiscal program of the Government. The estimates



are the amounts of revenues and expenditures expected by each department, and when passed by the legislature, they control the coming year's expenditures.

The Provincial Auditor, an official appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under the Seal of the Province keeps the accounts of the province. His responsibilities involve the checking of each item of revenue and the approval of each expenditure. He prepares the Public Accounts in which all the financial transactions of the province during the last fiscal year are set out. As the Treasury Board, the Executive Council frames regulations respecting the bookkeeping and accounting of the Government.

The Treasury Branches Act authorizes the Provincial Treasurer to establish and operate branches of the Treasury at points throughout the province. To date 47 branches, 13 sub-branches and 84 agencies have been established.

The Alberta Government Purchasing Agency Act is administered under the supervision of the Provincial Treasurer and



The Director of Purchases is responsible to him. The Purchasing Agency purchases all supplies required by government departments.

Also attached to the Treasury Department is the office of the Queen's Printer. The Queen's Printer is responsible for the publication of the "Alberta Gazette," which contains Government proclamations and official notices. This office publishes the statutes of the province and all other Government publications, and supplies all printing, stationery and general office supplies required by the departments.

The Provincial Treasurer administers The Retirement Annuities Act through which Alberta citizens may purchase annuities with a small initial deposit.



For administration purposes, the Board of Public Utility Commissioners is attached to the Treasury Department. Among its many responsibilities the Board regulates the rates charged by utility companies, protects the people of Alberta from unwise investments, approves debentures and regulates the financial activities of local governments. In regard to milk control, the Board computes the average cost of production, audits dairy plants and determines price charges for the consumer.

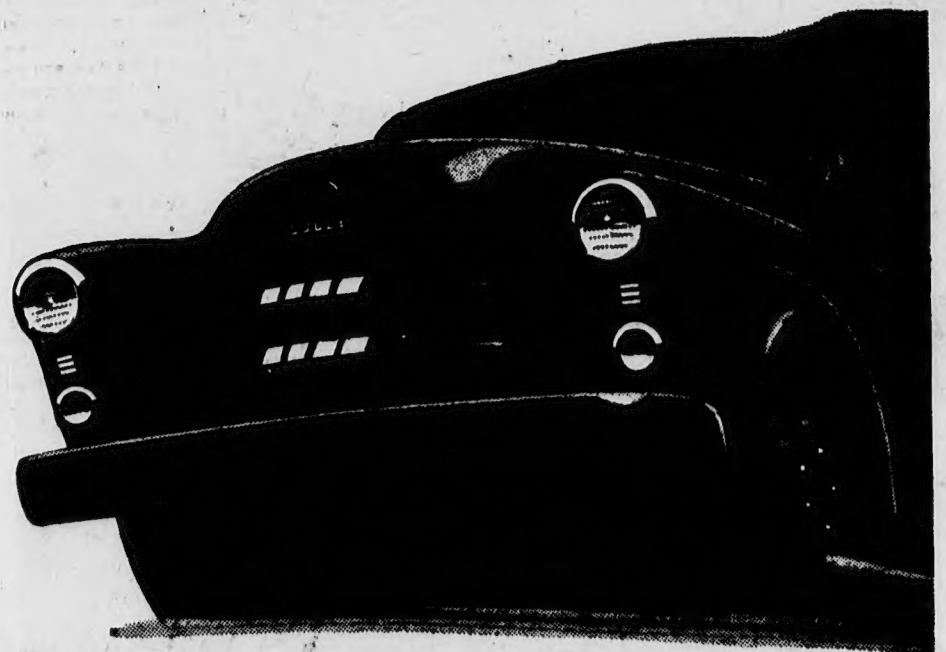


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